

Vacuum Development Unit (VDU) Gas Chromatograph-Mass Spectrometer (GC-MS)					
Question Number	Section	Clause #	Para #	Question/Comment	Response
1	Spec 3.1			What is the status of the RESOLVE program?	It is not relevant to the procurement.
2	Spec 3.2.12			What is the heritage basis for a space-borne GCMS with a mass less than 15 kg? For example, Huygens GCMS weighted 17.3 kg.	The GC-MS in the Sample Analysis at Mars on the Mars Science Laboratory was the basis for the estimate and the total component mass was just under 11kg.
3	Spec 5.1.2			What is the basis for the mass range selection? For example, why doesn't the mass range extend to over 200 amu/q to cover the Hg seen by LCROSS?	The mass range chosen is based on the goals of the RESOLVE project, in particular the interest in the low mass range capability.
4	RFP			What type of contract will be awarded (fixed price, time and materials, other)?	In accordance with Section L.6 of the RFP, The Government contemplates award of a Firm Fixed Price contract.
5	RFP			A) What is the time line for the entire contract? B) When do you anticipate the contract being awarded?	A) Deliverable list and Schedule can be found in the RFP, Attachment C, titled "Deliverable Items List and Schedule (DILS)" B) Anticipated Contract Award Date in July of 2012.
6	RFP			Could a technical company partner with an administrative entity to satisfy the contract?	We are not aware of a prohibition or restriction for such a partnership, but the determination regarding how to respond rests with each entity responding.